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NEWS RELEASE

United States Attorney Richard S. Hartunian announced that BRIAN MATTES, age 33, of Auburn, New York, was sentenced in federal court today pursuant to his pleas of guilty to two child exploitation offenses.

MATTES was sentenced by Hon. Glenn T. Suddaby in U.S. District Court to serve two concurrent sentences of 220 months in federal prison, pursuant to his plea of guilty to the felony charges of receiving and possessing child pornography via the Internet. In his guilty plea, MATTES admitted that he possessed 77 videos and 217 images containing child pornography that he had received, and downloaded over the Internet, and then saved to an external hard drive.

As a part of the sentence, once he completes his term of incarceration MATTES will be placed on supervised release for life.

MATTES' arrest was the result of an investigation by the Cayuga County Sheriff's Office, Criminal Investigations Division, with assistance from the United States Secret Service. The federal case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Lisa Fletcher, who can be reached at 448-0672.